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KANSAS MAN INDICTED FOR METH, FIREARM

KANSAS CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Stanley, Kan., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for possession with the intent to distribute methamphetamine and an illegal firearm.

Douglas R. Magee, 31, of Stanley, was charged in a three-count indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Kansas City. Today's indictment replaces a federal criminal complaint filed against Magee on Feb.

Count One of the federal indictment alleges that **Magee** was in possession with intent to distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine on Feb. 2, 2006.

Count Two of the federal indictment alleges that **Magee**, during and in relation to the violation alleged in Count One, was in possession of a Beretta .22-caliber handgun on Feb. 2, 2006. Under federal law, Graves explained, it is illegal to be in possession of any firearm in furtherance of a drug trafficking crime.

Count Three of the federal indictment is a forfeiture count, which would require **Magee** to forfeit to the government any proceeds from the alleged violations, including \$20,448 that was seized on Feb. 2, 2006.

According to an affidavit filed in support of the original criminal complaint, law enforcement officers arrested **Magee** at approximately 1:18 a.m. Thursday at the intersection of Red Bridge Road and Wabash Avenue in Kansas City. **Magee** was initially observed driving erratically in a 1997 Lexus LS 400 by an off-duty Kansas City patrol officer, the affidavit says, who called dispatch to have **Magee** stopped. When officers contacted **Magee**, he appeared to be passed out and his vehicle was stopped in the middle of the intersection.

After conducting a search of the vehicle, the affidavit says, law enforcement officers found a backpack containing \$16,980 and a Norelco razor pouch containing an additional \$2,880. The backpack also contained 420 grams of methamphetamine, 2.8 grams of cocaine and five grams of marijuana. Law enforcement officers also found a Beretta .22-caliber handgun, loaded with four rounds of ammunition, in the front passenger seat rear pouch, and silencer for a large caliber firearm on the floorboard behind the driver's seat.

According to the affidavit, after his arrest **Magee** escaped from his cell at South Patrol Division by kicking out a plexiglass window, and attempted to leave through the sallyport.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Michael S. Oliver. It was investigated by the Kansas City, Mo., Police Department.

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